

THIPPY

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ATTENTION EVERYBODY! We are going to have a four week interim between this issue
and the next because three weeks from now we will be on a much needed (and, we hope,
much deserved) holiday. This means the deadline for all games here in will be the
mail delivery of April 9, 1980. To the games...

DIPPY Game #13, the Greene, 1978CQ, Spring, 1911:

France (Bob Sergeant): A PAR-bur; A RUR-ruhr; A PIE-tyro; A VEN sup a pie-tyro;
F NTH-hel; f eng ch-BEL; f bre-PIC; f w med-MID; f tun-N AFR; f tyrr-ION;
f rone-NAP; f nap-APU; f ion-AEG

Germany (Steve McLendon): F HOL-nth; F DEN-nth; A NWY H; f kiel-HEL; A MUN-ruhr;
A L FRO-mun; A TYR H; A VIE sup a tyro; A BUD sup a tri; A TRI H; A SFR H; A RUM sup
a ser; a arm-ANK; A SMY sup a arm-ank; a sev-ARM; a gal-BOH

Russia (Roscoe McPherron): NMR(1): ~~XXXXXX~~ A CON H

Turkey (Dwayne Shreve): A BUL sup Russian a con; F GRE sup a bul
Standby: Frost, Kelly

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Press:

PARIS--Live and learn.

PARIS-BERLIN--I hope you realize this all goes into your dossier.

DIPPY Game #14, the Banks, 1978HU, Spring, 1909:

Austria-hungary (Bob Sergeant): a vie-TYRO; f tri-ALB; A PRU sup a ber; a
A BOH-mun; A FER sup a boh-mun; A PIE-mar; A ROME sup a ven-apu; a ven-APU;
a gre-FEL; F CON H; f tun-F MED; f tyrr-LYN

England (Jack Frost): F POR H (awaits instructions from a Superpower)

Germany (Richard Goldberg): F MID H; f lvp-N ATL; f hel-NTH; f den-SKA; F BAL H;
A BUR sup a pie-mar/NO GERMAN UNIT IN PIE; A MUN H; A RUHR sup a mun; A KIEL sup
a mun

Italy (John C Robinson): F NAP H; A MAR H; F SPA SC H

Russia (Ronald Kelly): A SIL sup Austrian a ber; f spa sc-mid/NO SUCH RUSSIAN UNIT;
a mar-bur/NO SUCH RUSSIAN UNIT; f stp nc-NWY; F BOT sup a swe; a sev-MOS;
f lon-TYRR; A SWE sup f stp nc-nwy; a nwy-FIN; a war-LVN

Standby: Cheek

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Press:

NAPLES--Reliable sources have it that the Czar is in hospital recovering from
fright. It seems that he looked in the mirror.

Also, it would do the Russian Bear to pay heed to Kipling's advice:

When you're wounded and left on the Afghan plains,

And the women come out to cut up what remains,

Just roll to your rifle and blow out your brains

And go to your Gaud like a soldier...

HINSDALE--A little culture! Thank you, John.

DIPPY Game #15, the Mikulaš, 1979F, Spring, 1907:

England (Michael McGreevy): a fin-STP; F BAR sup a fin-stp; F NWY sup a fin-stp;
F BOT sup a fin-stp; A KIEL sup Italian a ~~mar~~ ber; a mun sup Italian a ber/DISLODGED,
must retreat to ruhr or oth; A BUR sup a mun; F ENG CH con a lon-bel; a lon-BEL;
f mid-W MED; F SPA SC-lyo; F TYRR sup French f lyo-tus; a wal-fin/NO SUCH UNIT

m o r e

France (Robert Cheek): a A PAR-bur; F LYO sup Turkish f nap-tyrr
Italy (Ronald Kelly): A PER sup English a mun; F TUN sup English f tyrr
Russia (Douglas Casper): a stp h/DISLOGED; destroyed; A LVN sup a stp;
A MOS sup a stp; A PRU-ber; A SIL sup a pru-ber; a boh-MUN; a vie-BOH
Turkey-Freedonia (Mark E May): F ION-tyrr; F NAP sup f ion-tyrr; a ven-PIE;
a TYRO sup Russian a boh-mun; A ROME H; F E MED-ion; F GRE sup f e med-ion;
f con-AEG; A SMY H; f adr-APU

Standby: Oaklyn

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Press:

PARIS TO CONSTANTINOPLE--"Now for the French Connection Part II."

LONDON--Parliament today voted in favor of recognizing Freedonia, after much heated debate and campaigning by the King on the behalf of Turkey/Freedonia. The King stated that as an act of good faith Freedonia should not change its national flag. The King warned Freedonia not to interpret this resolution as weakness on the part of the English people, but only as a further sign of willingness to bring about peace in the world. "We are not forgetting our Italian allies and their courageous fight for the return of their homeland. We will continue thru all possible means, including military intervention, to pursue this goal."

The greatest opposition in Parliament came from the Polo Captain's Liberation Party which strongly protested giving international bandits and terrorists the prestige of recognition. The Liberation Party stated that w/out the presence of the Polo Captain on the floor, many members conveniently forgot about the outrage forced upon the world by the theft of the Holy Grail. One member stated, "They have probably even put their greasy hands on it."

Further developments from Parliament included the establishment of a committee to organize the international Polo competition requested by the Freedonians. A location for the games is being sought outside of England for fear that the Freedonian Team may pose a sanitary threat to the English countryside. Munich was agreed upon as a convenient location and one that the Freedonians and Russians could find.

LONDON: HIS ROYAL MAJESTY THE KING--Before leaving for his Spring trip to Scotland the King stated to the international community that the Freedonian implication of aggression against France is totally absurd. It is felt that this is a possible signal that Freedonia is planning on attacking France and that immediate steps will be taken to guarantee their independence, including a further English presence in the Mediterranean.

Concerning the possibility of international polo games the King stated that without the participation of the Italian team the games would not be possible. However, the news that Russia would also participate was welcomed, as it was feared that the Czar had been eliminated and replaced with a puppet. This was based on the report of possible military intervention by Freedonia in St. Pote and because the Czar never responded to his invitation by the King to go fishing. "I will admit that the use of a high powered rifle somewhat disturbs the peace of the woods when trout fishing, but he always has a good catch and plenty of vodka," the King added.

SCOTLAND: THE KING'S ESTATE--From his estate the King responded to inquiries about his orders to build an army in Wales. "What do you mean I can't build an army there. What am I going to do with all those tents? This is outrageous! Get out of here! Get out of here!"

ROYAL FLEET (TYRRHENIAN SEA)--The Polo Captain was furious with the news that England had recognized Freedonia, and promised on his return to England to set straight the members of Parliament who voted in favor of the matter. "I will punish all those involved with the pirating of the Holy Grail, regardless of their names. Like they say 'Born a Turk, die a jerk.'" With that, the Polo Captain keel-hauled two captured Turkish spies and immediately threw them overboard with instructions to swim back to their fleet and ~~xxxx~~ tell Rudka he was going to string him up by his testicles.

This putting the Polo Captain in somewhat of a lighthearted mood, he turned his attention to the upcoming polo games. "I have never turned down an invitation to play polo, even from a Turk. What really bothers me about that Turkish team is not

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the smell, but the humps they have on the backs of their horses. No MAN would ride a horse like that. As far as where to play, we don't have to go to Munich. If Rudka wants to wait a while, we can play aboard my ship in Constantinople."

DIPPY Game #16, the Three Mile Island, 1979AS, Winter, 1905:

Austria-Hungary (Ron Gorski): no change. Has A VIE, A EUD, A BOH

England (Mark E May): removes f bar... Has F NWG, A DEN, F NTH, F DAL, F PNG CH

France (Robert Cheek): removes a spa... Builds F ERE, F MAR. Also has F LVP,

A RUHR, A BEL, A PAR

Italy (Lwayne Shreve): NMR(1): Has F MIL, F SPA SC, A MUN, A TYRO, A TRI,
F ALP

Russia (Jack Frost): removes f den... Builds A STP. Also has A WAR, A SIL,
A PER, A NWY, A MOS

Turkey (Darryl Mellema): no change. Has A GAL, A UKR, A SEV, F DLA, ~~EXXXXX~~
F N AFR, F ION, A RUM

Standby: Oaklyn

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LONDON TO CONSTANTINOPLE—"Tally-ho!!"

PARIS TO ROME—"We're boycotting the Rome OLYMPICS!"

Sbohem,

Oscar Twiddle
Gamesmaster



Jerry Jones
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KING TO DO SOX COLOR!!

QUESTIONS RAISED RE-
CALCULATING VOIGT STORY
Dear Editor

A number of ques-
tions have been raised
on the role, and in-
deed the truth of a
recent story regarding
W.C. (W.C.) Voigt.

Why did it take 9
years for his role to
come to light? How can
he claim to have been
"fumbling with the
cash register" when he
has never been able to
identify one? How can
he claim to have been
5'8" tall in 1971 when
he isn't even that tall
now?

And the most dam-
ning question of all-
he claims to have
"held the door for the
officers and punched
the 3th floor button."
How could W.C. (W.C.)
hold open any door??
(he can't hold open an
envelope). Not only
that, research has
proven that he cannot
REACH the button for
the eighth floor.
(When he pushes the
buttons the elevator
never goes higher than
the fifth floor).

In summary, Voigt's
statement that it was
in the can carries
more truth than he re-
alized.

XX It is indeed sad
that a writer with the
record of achievement
of Jeffrey Fishbach
could be taken in
with this "story."

Sincerely,
Les Edwig

If you didn't read it here, it
didn't happen...

QUOTABLE QUOTES: Phil Rogers, on
the murder Tuesday of Dr Herman
Tarnower, author of the popular
Scarsdale Diet: "Having tried his
diet, I can understand why some-
body would want to kill him..."

CALDENAR: March 16-22 is Noxious
Emanations Week, highlighted by
Rich King's birthday (18th), which
also is the day that people with
one foot in the grave will be or-
dered to learn metrics...

REMEMBER THE ITALIAN FEAST May 31!

If you'd like to attend, and cook
something, contact the STAR...

FIVE YEARS AGO IN THE STAR, the big
question was: "Is Joe Antosiak
the same person as Joe Cummings?"

Yes, Congressional investigators
were looking into this mixup of
identities between the news media
reporter on the one hand, and the
sleuthy super-secret CIA type on
the other. The controversy was
touched off when one or the other
of the Joes called the STAR's of-
fice to complain that he had re-
ceived a STAR addressed to the
other. He also complained about
"Big Joe from LaGrange," a de-
scription that applied equally to
both at the time. Now, they're
still both big, but neither lives
in LaGrange anymore. Another
question for the philosophers to
ponder...

Tipsword Goodpup Wiley-Benes
issued a heartfelt (or was it
tummy-felt) Thank-You to Stu
Shargel for the gift of a bone
she had received. Tippy noted
Mr Shargel's good taste: he had
wrapped the bone in old issues
of the STAR...

In sports, the TBA scoring
leader, after 7 games played, was
Hinsdale's Andy Bowman with an
average of 37.8. Peoria's Gar-
land "Big Dummy" Holmes led the
league in rebounding with 125 in
8 games (PTG)...

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, RICHIE!

By Hugo Zatterwald,
staph

CHICAGO, Mar 8--Rich
King, at just under 33
years of age, has already
achieved his life's am-
bition: he this week was
named to the broadcast
team that does Chicago
White Sox games.

King will join Harry
Caray, Jimmy Piersall,
and Joe McConnell behind
the mike as the "Sweats"
as they sometimes are
known, struggle through
yet another American
League season. Rich, it
is said, has wanted to
do such a job for his
favorite team since he
was 12 years old (and
how many of the rest of
us have had similar
dreams?).

King will do color to
McConnell's play-by-play
on radio only, meaning
that he'll work only
about 5 innings of each
9 inning game.

One source told the
STAR that King, happy as
a lark, has decided to
prepare for his new as-
signment by asking Phil
"Chico" Kosiin for ad-
vice and training. Chaco
is the former colorcas-
ter for Chicago Hustle
basketball broadcasts.

A big STAR Congratu-
lations to Richie, and
may the rumored new
station logo NWT come
true: "First in News.
First in Sports. But
5th in the American
League West..."

King will only work
about 120 of the Sox'
games. He will not work
those games which are not
carried on TV as well.

We get LETTERS:

Dear STAR Editor:

All right! All right! Enclosed is \$10 for a renewal. Get off my case.

John McArdle
esteemed, grand commissioner
of the ~~TX~~ TBA

ED--Okay, gang, we can call Lou Tortorelli back.

Dear Morkie,

I wish you'd stop using the phraseology "happy as a clam." Who says we're happy? All we do all day is sit on the polluted ocean bottom, hoping a beer can or tire doesn't hit us on the head. We have one foot, and we move about twelve inches every day. Otherwise, there's not a goddam thing to do, except sneak open our snells and blow out a little clam gas.

Irritated, with no pearl

ED--My dear verbose mollusk: perhaps you could appeal to the government for aid to the handicapped. Having but one leg, you need a wheelchair. Then you could do better than 12 inches a day.

Dear editor,

Whatever happened to Neal Rammacher?
--Ron Gorski

Dear editor,

Whatever happened to Ron Gorski?
--Neal Rammacher?

ED--The answer to both of your queries is the same. He was last seen being dragged off into the Brazilian jungle by crazed, lustful Amazons.

Dear Furgold,

I think the story by Bill (W.C.) Voight was much too long. Considering its importance, it was about three weeks too long. Nobody gives a shit about some halfass Toledo radio station. The only other thing we know ~~2~~ from Toledo is Corporal Klinger, and he liked to wear women's clothing.

--Alice Spongebutt

PS--We heard "W.C." stands for "Water Closet."

ED--If you think that was bad, you should have seen what we rejected for those issues; there's also the Mud Hens which seems to say a lot about the town; and, yes, that is correct. But you misspelled his last name. It's V O I G T.

GAIL REVIEW: "CANDIDATE" by Shaw Games

Reviewed by Arnholt Laxetter, STAR Game Reviewer

CANDIDATE is one of the most entertaining, thoughtful, and yet frustrating and tedious adult games to come along in quite some time. Basically, it simulates the drive to ~~xxxx~~ become the Presidential nominee of a political party. Forget the propaganda about winning the Presidency, this game is set up just like the nominating process.

The gameboard is a fanciful map of the US, with each state containing the number of votes it has in the electoral college. The biggest states are one color (California and New York with more than 40 votes).

And the rest are divided by color into three other groups depending upon their value to the candidate. Obviously, the goal is to amass the most electoral votes to win the game.

This is done as each candidate moves about the board, picking and playing cards from three decks: one that gives points for the state in which it is played, one that gives fewer points and more money for the state in which it is played, and one which contains "dirty tricks," the little jokers that add excitement, and even temper to the contest.

Each candidate gets more "contributions" to spend according to how much he has spent the turn before: the more you spend the more you get. Hence, by endgame, the player is adding up his point totals in each of the 50 states, and that total approaches a thousand. This is where the frustration appears--we found it damned difficult, after a few beers, to make the real tally we had match the theoretical number of points that we were supposed to have.

Play is enticed as players take public opinion polls (for a fee, of course) asking each opponent how many points he has stashed away in a particular state (EXAMPLE: in New York, Players A, B, and C have zero points, but Player D has 170 and the Polling Player, E, doesn't disclose his total). This can get very interesting if one is bent upon winning a particular state.

In our playtest game, kudos go to Gail Gorski, who amassed the incredible total of 178 electoral votes to win the game. She did a remarkable job of outsmarting everyone else, concentrating on just a few select states. Rate the game ***.

BASKETBALL

AUGUSTA DUMPS ROSWELL!

SNAPS COYOTES' STRING AT TWELVE
DOES THIS MEAN YET ANOTHER NO IN ROSWELL
COACH JIM SAMUELS' DRIVE TO WIN COACH OF
THE YEAR HONORS???

By Ralston Arena, sportswriter Plenipotentiary, etc.

It was the Coyotes' last game of the season, and a homestand at that; the perfect setting for the league-leading team to make TBA history with the most successful season ever (17-1). Victory would clinch first in the final standings; but victory proved fickle, and was borne off that night by the Winds from Augusta, 114-103.

Coach Clyde Netzley brought the scrappy Winds into town seeking the victory that would ensure his franchise's first season ever over .500. Weighing heavily in the minds of his young charges was the 4th Quarter collapse that had cost them the game against Nevada.

"Tonight," Netzley told them after the game, "Tonight you were SUPERB."

Indeed they were. The Winds played tenacious defense; stealing, blocking shots, forcing ~~turnovers~~ turnovers right into the final minutes of play.

Roswell knotted the score at 2 and 4, but after that Augusta never looked back. Striding to a 34-23 first quarter lead, they exploded to a 66-45 halftime margin. The "Running Dogs" outplayed the Winds by 8 and 2 in the 3 & 4 quarters respectively, but the Winds blew steadily on course to the win.

Both teams finished with 36 rebounds apiece. High scorer for the game was Roswell's incomparable Sparky Pluggs with 36. Keven Storey led the Winds with 24. Six Winds finished in double figures--three with better point totals than Roswell's second high-scorer, Montrose Mackley (17).

"I think they were looking past us," Netzley confided later. "They focused on the playoffs; it hurt 'em. We made some adjustments after the Nevada game and they paid off."

"I ~~gotta~~ gotta tell ya, though, I'm really proud of these kids. This game they wanted for themselves and, by God, they took it."

As the final standings became known, it appears more than likely, that Augusta will meet Nevada in the first round playoffs. When asked about his reaction, Netzley smiled, looked down at the floor and back, and then said warmly, "Now, wouldn't that be nice?"

THE TBA TODAY

Standing of the Clubs

team	w	l	team	w	l
ROUNDTABLE			VALLEY		
Bolingbrook	14	2	Hattiesburg	9	4
Augusta	10	8	Lahaina	7	8
Peoria	7	11	Macomb	6	7
Mohawk	5	13	Salem	2	14
SKYLINE			FRONTIER		
Roswell	16	2	Nevada	15	2
Naperville	10	8	Jackson Hole	11	6
Hinsdale	5	10	Adak	4	10
Whitehorse	5	13	Lincoln Park	4	12

RESULTS:

Macomb 130, 133 Salem 111, 109

Augusta 114 Roswell 103

Lincoln Park 115 Salem 91

Bolingbrook 99 Salem 77

Mohawk 104 Augusta 96

Mohawk 99 Peoria 89

THIS WEEK: High Scorer: Macomb's Nappy Mudd got 49 in the first game vs Salem; Best 'Boarder: Mohawk's Bozidar Bobovich got 17 vs Peoria; Most Assists: Salem's Chester Smith got 9 vs Lincoln Park; 3 Point Goals: Lincoln Park's Pearl Monroe and Oscar Pettigrew each got 2.

SCHEDULE (ALL GAMES DUE BY MARCH 15):

Macomb at Hinsdale

Macomb at Salem

Adak at Hattiesburg

Hattiesburg at Macomb, 2 games

Adak at Hinsdale

Hattiesburg at Lincoln Park

Lincoln Park at Adak

UNDERSTOOD that Hattiesburg beat Lahaina

Bolingbrook at Hinsdale

UNDERSTOOD that Macomb beat Lahaina

UNDERSTOOD that Bolingbrook beat Nevada

Adak at Jackson Hole

Lahaina at Salem

Hattiesburg has named an official team plant, the stink-horn (*Phallus impudicus*). Look it up in a good dictionary! (PTG)